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NATIONAL FLAG DAY AND NATIONAL FLAG WEEK

National Flag Day and National Flag Week is intended to heighten the awareness of all Americans on the rich history and tradition of "Old Glory" a symbol of America's strength, freedom, and liberty.

In 1777, the Second Continental Congress established the flag of a young nation, whose 13 original states were represented in the flag's 13 stars and 13 alternating red and white stripes. Today, the stars and stripes commemorate the revolutionary truths of our declaration of independence and constitution.

During Flag Day and National Flag Week, we also honor the men and women who carry our flag into battle. Through their bravery and sacrifice, they help keep America safe and advance peace and freedom around the globe.

To commemorate the adoption of our flag, the congress, by joint resolution approved august 3, 1949, as amended (63 stat. 492), designated June 14 of each year as "Flag Day" and requested that the president issue an annual proclamation calling for its observance and for the display of the flag of the United States on all federal government buildings. The congress also requested, by joint resolution approved June 9, 1966, as amended (80 stat. 194), that the president issue annually a proclamation designating the week in which June 14 occurs as "National Flag Week" and calling upon all citizens of the United States to display the flag during that week.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles does hereby proclaim June 14, 2012, as "National Flag Day," and the week beginning June 11, 2012 as "National Flag Week," throughout Los Angeles County and urge all Americans to observe National Flag Day and National Flag Week by flying the stars and stripes from their homes and other suitable places, celebrate our nation's heritage in public gatherings and activities, and recite the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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